

MURDER AND MAYHEM AT THE TEEN IDOL AWARDS

Printable file.

8-16 PLAYERS, AGES 12 AND UP

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Note: this file represents the format of the download version. For a breakdown of how the party pack differs, see the final page of this file.

With the download version, you will have access to four downloadable files upon purchase. A free invitation (optional and available on the game page under helpful links), host instructions, printable file, and a solution key. Be sure to download all files.

The party pack does not have anything to download beside the free invitation that is accessible prior to purchase under 'helpful links' on the game page.

PROPOSED ESTIMATED PARTY TIMELINE:

(About a 2.5 - 4+ hour party depending on the optional games played)

- 🕒 **1 week prior:** Send pre-game starters 1 week prior to the party
- 🕒 **Time 0:** When the guests arrive, play any bonus activity (~ 20 min)
- 🕒 **20 minutes:** Go over the player instructions (or play the video) and introduce each character to the group. Make the required announcement about the winners of the Teen Idol of the Year.
- 🕒 **30 minutes:** Pass out the Round One envelopes. Serve a light snack.
- 🕒 **55 minutes:** Another bonus activity can be played at this time. (~15 min).
- 🕒 **1 hour, 10 minutes:** * You can break for dinner at this point, but it is entirely optional. To begin round two, give the Round Two clue envelopes allow them to mingle (gossip) and discuss their clues on their clue cards and talk about the pre-murder clues.
- 🕒 **1 hour 25 minutes:** The players will still be mingling at this point, but the victim will become the victim and the post-murder investigation round begins.
- 🕒 **1 hour 45 minutes:** Present the forensic analysis report. You can go over this with them or make a few copies and put them in the envelope as you present them to the group or scatter a few copies on a table.
- 🕒 **2 hours:** Play another optional bonus activity (~ 15 minutes).
- 🕒 **2 hours, 15 minutes:** Make an announcement that the players are to submit their final guesses of whodunit.
- 🕒 **2 hours, 20 minutes:** they are to undergo the round three accusations - each player will accuse who they believe is the murderer along with the motive and how they did it.
- 🕒 **2 hours, 45 minutes:** Continue round three by serving hot chocolate and dessert (i.e., birthday cake) to the guests – this is optional. Pass out the round three cards to the players. The solutions are read one at a time in front of the group in the order instructed at the bottom of their solution cards.
- 🕒 **3 hours, 5 minutes:** Another optional bonus activity can be played (~20 min).
- 🕒 **3 hours, 25 minutes:** Optional Award Ceremony. [Optional award certificates](#) and / or trophies/prizes can be awarded to the guests that were the super sleuths, best actors/actresses, wore the best costumes, etc.

***The party can be shortened by not playing the optional games or extended by adding all or more of the optional games.**

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NAME TAGS each player will have a name tag in the printable file.



OPTIONAL PRE-GAME TASK CARDS each player will have one in the printable file.

NAME REMOVED

OPTIONAL - FOR SOME PRE-PARTY FUN, CONTACT THE FOLLOWING GUESTS:

Contact the guest playing **name removed** and say that you are being blackmailed and you heard that she is also being blackmailed. You don't want to put anything in writing or speak over the phone about this, so you'll talk to her about it at the *Teen Idol Awards*.

(Contact info : _____)

Contact the guest playing **name removed** and say you think **name removed** makes a better vampire than **name removed**.

(Contact info : _____)

Contact the guest playing **name removed** and say you consider **name removed** to be a friend. You are being extorted by someone and don't know what to do. Maybe you can talk to **name removed** about it and get some advice at the awards party?

(Contact info : _____)

ROUND ONE CARDS each player will have one in the printable file. Character names removed to minimize spoilers. You are cautioned to read this if you are trying to keep everything a surprise, but it will give you an idea of some storylines.

NAME REMOVED – ROUND ONE

CLUES TO REVEAL

- 🦋 **Name removed** seems a little unstable to you – or maybe you're just imagining that since you heard a nasty rumor she's been in a mental institution before.
- 🦋 You haven't felt good lately but are unsure what is wrong. The flu was going around the television studio. You probably have it. You feel weak.
- 🦋 Ask around to see who people think plays a better vampire – **name removed** or **name removed**. **Name removed** was a television vampire and **name removed** was a movie vampire. The movie actors always get more attention, but that doesn't mean they were better actors.
- 🦋 You're up for the role of the leading lady in *Pillaging Pirates of the Pacific*. See if you can find out who else is going to be in the movie. As far as you've been told, you are the only girl up for the leading lady role.

CLUES TO CONCEAL

- 🦋 You are slightly upset that you didn't win the *Teen Idol of the Year Award*. You don't think **name removed** deserved the award for the guys, however.
- 🦋 Your character is the former reality star-turned-television actress. You star in the hit TV series, *Gorgeous Thieves*.
- 🦋 You really want to play the lead role in the pirate movie but would never work with **name removed**. You hope he isn't up for the leading male role.

ROUND TWO CARDS each player will have one in the printable file. Character names removed to minimize spoilers. You are cautioned to read this if you are trying to keep everything a surprise, but it will give you an idea of some storylines.

NAME REMOVED - ROUND TWO

Pre-Murder Clues

- You've decided to be honest with a couple of people that you trust (*you decide whom you trust*) about being in a mental institution during your high school years. You had a problem stealing everything at school – even things you didn't want. Your friend, **name removed**, was in the same institution for the same thing (uncontrollable kleptomania). You both changed your identities and became famous, but you don't want anybody else to know you were both thieves.
- You need to find out who is blackmailing your friend **name removed** before they start blackmailing you.
- **name removed** used to date **name removed**. *Ew!*
- Ask around to see who auditioned for the leading roles of *Pillaging Pirates of the Pacific*. You just heard they are about to announce who landed the lead male and female roles! See if anybody knows anything.

Post-Murder Evidence & Alibi (Blood Type O+)

- There will be 3-5 clues given to each player.
- They will mingle about and discuss them.
- This is the investigation portion of round two.

ROUND 3 SOLUTION CARDS – there will be one for each player.

character K
Final Solution Round

READ AFTER Character L

The solution is here. Each player will read their solution to the group and the murderer will confess at the end.

Character L IS NEXT

SAMPLE

Here are the table of contents for the host instructions:

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LIST OF CHARACTERS FOR THE HOST

EXAMPLE TIMELINE

PLAYER INSTRUCTIONS

MENU SUGGESTIONS

ADDITIONAL BONUS GAMES

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION – LINK LIST AND ABOUT THE AUTHOR

And there is a game solution file that you can open after the mystery is resolved if there are any lingering questions.

This file is representative of the download version. The party pack version of this game will be prepared on double-sided; parchment style paper and all clue cards are foldable and will be slipped (in the party ready version) into graphically labeled envelopes. It's not something that can be accomplished at home with the DIY download version.

The nametags will be on adhesive backed paper and the victim's sign will be placed into a graphically labeled envelope. The forensic report will also be in a labeled envelope.

The blackmail notes will be printed for you, cut out, and placed in the appropriate envelopes – whether you have us stuff your envelopes for rounds 1-3 or not.

The host instructions are within a professionally printed/bound booklet, and the investigation cards are double sided and professionally printed on a cardstock.

For all differences between the download and party pack versions, go here:
[Chart that describes party pack vs download](#)